

REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated July 26, 2005 and further in light of the Advisory Action dated November 2, 2005. Claims 1 to 45, 50, 55 to 57, 59 to 63, 65, 67 and 69 are now pending in the application. Claims 1, 31, 63, 65 and 69 are the independent claims herein. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

As an initial matter, Applicants wish to thank the Examiner for the indication that Claims 1 to 30 and 61 are allowed and that Claims 31 to 45, 55 to 63 and 65 and 67 contain allowable subject matter.

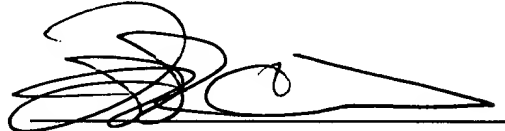
Claim 50 was objected to as allegedly raising a new issue by being dependent on a cancelled base claim. In this regard, Claim 50 has been amended to depend on pending Claim 45. Withdrawal of this objection is therefore respectfully requested.

Claim 69 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112 for allegedly failing to comply with the enablement requirement and under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as allegedly being directed towards non-statutory subject matter. Without conceding the correctness of these rejections, Claim 69 has been amended to reflect that the claim is directed to a computer-readable storage medium on which is stored computer-executable codes of a computer program. Accordingly, Claim 69 is believed to be fully in condition for allowance and Applicants respectfully request same.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the entire application is believed to be in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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Respectfully submitted,

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